



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Takashi NAKANO et al. : Confirmation No. 7039
Serial No. 10/849,023 : Attorney Docket No. 2004-0770A
Filed May 20, 2004 : Group Art Unit 3673
SHAFT SEAL MECHANISM : Examiner Gilbert Y. Lee
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**RESPONSE UNDER 37.CFR1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 3600**

Petition hereby is made for a three month extension of time to respond to the communication of November 2, 2006.

The fee of \$1,020.00 is

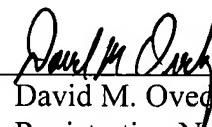
- (X) submitted herewith.
(to be charged to Deposit Account No. 23-0975. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.
(Small entity status of this application is established by a Small Entity Status Assertion which
(is enclosed.
(has been previously submitted.

Respectfully submitted,

Takashi NAKANO et al.

**THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED
TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE
FEES FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT
ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975**

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